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The European war.

Statement of important Bridges
to be guarded in the present State
of European War

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GENERAL AND REVENUE SECRETARIAT.

Serial Nos. 383, 383a, 405, 450, 493a, 497a, 562

Part B. for Dec 14.

SUBJECT.

Statement of Important Bridges to be guarded in the Mysore State.

562 To the I. G of police No 5719 & 3-12-14

States that the object of instructions issued to protection of important points & by where damage might be easily effected or where if done would be difficult or costly to repair that all that is required now is the ~~suitable~~ maintenance of a suitable watch & ward at the important bridges in the State.

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NOTES—First Sheet.

No. 914

URGENT. AND CONFIDENTIAL.

REPLY.

(To be written on this margin.)

I. No 72
26.10.14.

There seems to be 2 subjects involved in this Note: 1) bridges requiring "protection" from Milit[y] point of view & 2) those that require watching, viz: to include the former bridges as well as all important ones for local communication.

As for 1) all the important bridges (both R[ys] & ord[y]) across all our main Rivers, carrying the through Milit[y] Trunk roads or roads are to be "protected", & their no: & situation will be found in our D.P.W. Registers.

The most. the Police can do is to watch & give intimation of any occurrence at the marked specified Station, & such watch is to be effective for 24 hrs, if 3 Shifts each. The Milit[y] Forces can be ascertained after deciding the no: of bridges to be watched.

27/10/14

Rec[d] at 7 PM 27/10
Issued 27/10

Office of the Dewan of Mysore.

NOTE.

Dated 24th October *1914*.

The Hon'ble the Resident has enquired what bridges in the State require protection against possible mischief by the enemy in the present war. The Secretary, G. & R. Departments is requested to consult the I.G. of Police with a view to make arrangements to have the more important bridges in the State watched.

2 The following bridges among others have to be taken into consideration in this connection:

The bridges over the Cauvery at Sivasamudram, and at Seringapatam;

The bridges at Nanjangud, Maddur and Harihar.

3. The action taken in the matter may please be reported to me before the ~~31st instant.~~ 5th proximo.

24.10.14.

Secretary,
Gen. & Rev. Departments.

Forwarded to the D.G. of Police for favour of opinion.

Dewan of Mysore
26/10

Confidential & Immediate

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Forwarded with compliments to the Railway Secretary for favour of furnishing a list of railway bridges in Mysore which in his opinion require the protection referred to.

D. M. Narasimha Rao
30/10

The bridges which require watching from a railway point of view are those which if destroyed or injured would hold up traffic for a long period by reason of the difficulty of establishing railway communication of a temporary nature in a short time. Such bridges are generally those over large rivers & deep ravines. I think it would be advisable to ask the M & S M. Ry authorities for a complete list. Amongst them are certainly the bridges over the Cauvery at Seringapatam

That over the Shenuka at Madduru.
One just beyond Gowribidnur, South.
Probably the Vedavati near "Danavan" x
near Tungabhadra on the borders of the State
and a less deep the
bridge over the Kabbani
at Kanyanpet, though
being near the terminus
it would only affect
local people + traffic

The Military Road Book gives little or no information on this point. With this and other ordinary Road maps of Mysore a list of important bridges has been drawn up in this Secretariat.

It is forwarded with compliments to the Secretary, P.W.D. for favour of their verification and suggestions in regard to the subjoined list of the Bridges that

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The list prepared in the - - General and Revenue Secretariat has been examined. It appears bridges on some unimportant roads have been included in the list as also some nalas where no bridges exist. The list has to be corrected in this light.

A fresh list is now attached shewing the more important bridges on all the trunk roads in the Province.

During six to nine months in the year, all the nalas and rivers at the sites of these bridges can be - - - easily crossed by a diversion, without much difficulty.

Offg. Secretary to Government,
P. W. Department.

Bangalore,
2nd November 1914.

D. P. W. List

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Statement of important bridges to be guarded in the Mysore State.

District.	Taluk.	Bridges across rivers.	
Bangalore 3.	Hoskote	Bridge across the	Pinakini at Hoskote
	Closepet (S.T)	-do-	Arkavathi at Closepet Ry
	Chennapatna	-do-	Kanve near Malur Ry.
Kolar 1	Kolar	Bridge across the	Palar at Huttur
Tumkur 1	Gubbi	Bridge across the	Shimsha at Kibbanhalli.
Chitaldrug 3	Davangere	-do-	Tungabhadra at Harihar
	Hiriyur	-do-	Vedavathi at Hiriyur
	Hiriyur	-do-	Suvarnamukhi at Javagondahalli.
Shimoga 4	Shimoga	-do-	Bhadra at Benkipur
	Shimoga	-do-	Tunga at Shimoga
	Kumsi (S.T)	-do-	Chordi at Kumsi
	Sagar	-do-	Varada at Sagar
Kadur 4	Kadur	-do-	Veda at Devanur
	Kadur	-do-	Avati at Kadur
	Koppa	-do-	Bhadra at Thadasa.
	Koppa	-do-	Tunga at Hariharpur.
Hassan 2	Hassan	-do-	Yegachi at Hassan
	Manjarabad	-do-	Hemavathi at Saklespur.
	Mandya	-do-	Shimsha at Maddur
	Seringapatam	-do-	Cauvery at Seringapatam
	Seringapatam	-do-	Cauvery at Paschimavahini
	Nanjangud	-do-	Kabini at Nanjangud
	Hunsur	-do-	Lakshmanthirtha at Hunsur
	(Coorg)	-do-	Cauvery at Fraserpet.
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Bangalore,
2nd November 1914.

Offg. Secretary to Government,
P. W. Department.

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A draft-letter to the Agents of the Ry Companies concerned requesting them to make special arrangements, if need be, to protect the important railway bridges within the limits of the State against possible mischief by the enemy in the present war, may be put up.

Also a draft letter to the I.G.P. Police to make special arrangements for the purpose in regard to the road bridges, (non-railway): six of the most important ones selected by the Army from the D.B.W. list.

The drafts may be submitted to me before this evening as the file is due for submission to Govt tomorrow

Dewan
4/11

To Asst Sec V

By V. Asst
4.11.

Send. with two drafts.

W. 4.11.14. The drafts may be approved.

2. The following Six road bridges have been selected for the purpose of being guarded by the Police.

1. Bridge over the Cauvery near Seringapatam
2. Bridge over Kabini at Nanjangud
3. Bridge over Shimsa at Mesdur.
4. Bridge over Jungabhadra at Harihar
5. Bridge across the Vedavathi at Hiriyur
6. Bridge across the Palar at Hutteri.

Nos 1–4 are mentioned in the Dewans office note itself. 5 & 6 have been selected as they are important bridges across two of the principal Military routes.

Asst 4.11.14

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General and Revenue Secretariat.

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With reference to the Dewan's Note of 24-10-14, two drafts are submitted for consideration.

Draughtsman 5/11

Dewan

2333/5.11.14

The two drafts and the revised statements have been approved by the Dewan 10.11.14

The lists may be checked by Mr. S. Iyer sheriston tomorrow before 12 noon before issue.

Draughtsman 10/11

383 To. The D.G. of Police. No. G.4797 dt 11.11.14.

Forwards a list of the more important road bridges in the State which require protection against possible mischief by the enemy in the present war and requests to arrange for the careful watching of the same by the Police and to report the action taken

383a To, The A. Resident. No. Pol. 416 dt 11.11.14.

Forwards a list of important bridges in the State which require protection against possible mischief and requests to make necessary arrangements for Safeguarding Railway Bridges in Consultation with the Agent to the S.M. Railway.

405 From the Inspr. Genl. of Police No-G dt 13-11-14

States that he has arranged to watch the portion of the Hamiltonbridge up to the Tyson frontier & that he believes that the rest of the bridge will be looked after

sheet.

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by the Bombay Govt.

Submd for orders with a draft letter to the Residency, which may be approved

Dmuragha Rao 14/11

H.H. 14-11-14.

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Dewan)

Draft approved by the Dewan 17. 11. 14

Dmu today Dmu 17/11

450 To the F.A. Resident. no. P.S. 4449 17.11.14.

States that the Tungabhadra Bridge near Harihar will be watched by the Mysore Police up to the Mysore Frontier and requests to be informed whether the Bombay Government will arrange to look after the remaining portion of the bridge lying within their jurisdiction

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Sl. 4497 A
See page 12 7 notes.
3000 / 1-12-14

A draft d.o. reply to the D.C.'s office is put up. It may be approved

Dmuragha Rao 1/12

Dewan)

Draft approved by the Dewan 2. 12. 14

May issue

Dmu 2/12

562 To the D.C. of police

No. C 5719 Dy 3.12.14

With reference to Sl. 405 states that the object of instructions issued is the protection of unprotected portions of N.H. where serious damage might be easily

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effected or where damage if done would be difficult or costly to repair + accordingly a boat is required now is the maintenance of a suitable water guard at the important bridges in the State.

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1.12.14

REPLY.

(*To be written on this margin.*)

Confidential

Office of the Dewan of Mysore.

NOTE.

Dated 23rd November *191* 4.

Letter dated 20th November 1914 from the Hon'ble the Resident in Mysore in the matter of the protection of road bridges in Mysore.

Forwarded to the Secretary, General and Revenue Departments, to kindly consider whether any modification of the orders already issued in the matter is necessary in view of the observations contained in the letter of the Hon'ble the Resident.

23.11.14.

No modification is needed. The draft reply in the file to the H.E. Governor may kindly be approved.

Dewan
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1-12-14
Dewan)

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General and Revenue Secretariat.

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493A	From the ~~A~~ Resident D. O. 9 20. 11— 1914. ~~To~~ proposes certain precautions to watching important Bridges within the State
493a	To Mr Lawe D. O. 9 23—11—14 Concurs with the proposal referred to above & states that no Special measures are necessary.

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Serial No. 383

D.O.

2485

Diary No. of letter replied to

No. 94797

General and Revenue Secretariat
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To

The I. G. of Police.

Date of issue 11. 11. 14

Signed by Mr D.K. Nanavaty Re

Dear Sir,

With reference to your unofficial note of the 29th. ~~10th~~ ultimo, I am desired to forward herewith a list of the more important of the road bridges in the State which require protection against possible mischief by the enemy in the present war and to

P.T. over.

SUBJECT.

I expect you to make early
arrangements for the Canal watching of
[illegible] being carefully watched
by [illegible] and to report [illegible] after this

Yours truly

10-11-14

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List of important road bridges in the State to be guarded by the Police.

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1. Two bridges over the Cauvery near Seringapatam.

2. Bridge over the Tungabhadra at Harihar.

3. Bridge over the Tunga at Shimoga.

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For File No. 141-14.

Serial No. ~~3041~~ ~~3051~~ 383a

Diary No. of letter replied to 2415

P&E No. 416/a-1.

General and Revenue Secretariat

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, *the* 191 .

To

The First Assistants

to the Hon'ble the Resident-

Date of issue 11. 11. 1914.

Signed by Mr. D. M. Narasinga Rao

Sir,

I am directed to forward herewith a list of some of the important bridges in the State which require protection against possible mischief by the enemy in the present war. The road bridges included in the list will be watched by the Local

P. T. over.

SUBJECT.

Wire Agent Mr railway
rings, ~~arrangements with him~~ if necessary
~~to be made with the Agent~~,
~~to the Company, for their~~
~~with increased vigilance~~
~~being taken into consideration~~.

I have to-

it is presumed that the Hon'ble the Resident will be taking action in consultation with the Agent M & S. Ry.

Dr. Secy 5/11 1.11.14
Offg - Secy to Govt

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District.	Taluk.	Bridges across rivers.
Bangalore	Closepet	Bridge across Arkavati at Closepet.
	Channapatna	Bridge across Kanve near Malur.
✓ Chitaldrug	Davangere	Bridge across Tungabhadra at Harihar.
Shimoga	Shimoga	Bridge across Bhadra at Benkipur.
	✓ -do-	Bridge across Tunga at Shimoga.
Kadur	Kadur	Bridge across Veda at Devanur.
	-do-	Bridge across Avati at Kadur.
Mysore	Seringapatam	Bridges across Cauvery at Seringapatam.
	-do-	-do- -do- at Paschimavahini.

(Scored out by the Dewan 10/11/14)

Dec 1914

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V 88 Jan 14/16/14 Bangalore,

Confl Sl: 405 13 Nov 14

Dear Narasimhaiah

Bridges - I am arranging to have our help side of the Hunsur 2nd bridge over Tungabhadra worked - i.e. the 4 to our frontier - believing the other help side will be [illegible] by Bombay Govt. -

Walker 15 Dec 14/11/14

Kindly obtain instructions & let me know if this is in order.

Yrs sincerely
Srikantaiya

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Serial No. 450

*Diary No. of letter replied to*_____

P. & C. No. 449.

General and Revenue Secretariat

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To

The First Assistant
to the Hon'ble the Resident

Date of issue 17. 11. 14

Signed by Mr. D. M. Narasimha Rao

Sir,

In continuation of my Letter No. Pol. 416 dated the 11th. instant, I am directed to state that of the road-bridges mentioned in the list forwarded therewith, the one across the Jungle Nadi at Hanihan will be watched by the

P. T. over.

SUBJECT.

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The Police up to the Mysore frontier and to request to be informed the Bombay Govt with a view to look after the remaining portion of the said Line from their jurisdiction.

Thanks.

Draft 14/11

Copy to Govt

Mrs

List of enclosures

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Confidential. Mercara 20th Novr 1914

My dear Dewan Sahib,

I have received Mr Narasinga Rao's official letters 416 & 443, of the 11th & 17th instant, about the protection of road & bridges. They were no doubt written in consequence of what I said to you on this subject & I think that I perhaps did not make myself quite clear. I was speaking with reference to a communication which I had received from the military authorities. The paper is at Bangalore, so I cannot quote from it; but it was to the effect that the Govt of India did not consider any special measures of protection necessary; but that instances had occurred -- where was not stated -- in which suspicious persons had been observed in the neighbourhood of important points on railway lines. The Govt of India therefore suggested that 'reasonable precautions' should be taken in regard to important points, especially where serious damage might easily be effected, or where damage, if done, would be be specially difficult or costly to repair.

I was not instructed to make any communication on the subject to the Darbar & merely mentioned the matter in order to give you an opportunity of considering whether any particular precautions were desirable within the State limits. I understand from what you told me verbally & from the official letters that suitable watch & ward is maintained at the important bridges, &c. This seems to be all that is required & I do not propose to take any action unless I hear further from you

Yours very sincerely

A. Daly

M. Visvesvaraya Esqr, C.I.E.,
Dewan of Mysore.

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Confidential.

Bangalore,

23rd November 1914.

To

The Hon'ble

Col. Sir Hugh Daly,

M e r c a r a.

My dear Sir,

Many thanks for your letter marked 'Confidential' regarding the watching of road bridges in Mysore.

I agree with you that, for the present, arrangements for suitable watch and ward at the important bridges, &c., are all that is required and that no special measures of protection are necessary.

Yours very sincerely,

23.11.14

D e w a n.

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Serial No. 562

Confidential

Diary No. of letter replied to

D.O. No. G 5719

General and Revenue Secretariat
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, *the* 191 .

To

The Insp^r. Gen^l. of Police

Date of issue 3. 12. 14

Signed by Sir D. M. Narasimha Rao

Dear Sir,

With reference to your demi-official letter dated the 13th. Nov^r. 1914 regarding the watching of the road bridge over the Tungabhadra at Harihar, I am desired to state that the object of the instructions ~~previously~~ issued in this matter is the protection of important points especially where serious damage might-

P.T. over.

SUBJECT.

easily be effected or where damage, if done would be specially difficult or costly to repair and that to this end all that is required at present is the maintenance of a suitable watch and ward at the important ~~[illegible]~~ bridges within the State limits.

Yours faithfully

2.12.14

Drew
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